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FOR SCA/SCS, EUR/WE

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CASC, SP
SUBJECT: NATIONWIDE LEISURE CORP.

REF: A) STATE 196399; B) SEVILLE 466 AND PREVIOUS

1. GROUP OF 40 WHICH ARRIVED MADRID JULY 29 (SEE PARA 4
REFTEL A) REPORTS THAT NATIONWIDE LEISURE REPRESENTATIVE
IN U.S. GAVE AN ENVELOPE CONTAINING 4 CHECKS TO MR.
ANTHONY FRESCO, MEMBER OF GROUP, TO DELIVER TO NATION-
WIDE'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE, PEDRO MAYORAL.
A) \$1,200 TO PAY HOTEL CONVENCION FOR GROUP'S LODGING
UNTIL AUGUST 4, BUT AS AUGUST 4 TRIP TO SEVILLE HAS BEEN
CANCELLED, GROUP WILL HAVE TO PAY THEMSELVES FOR ONE MORE
NIGHT BEFORE GOING BY BUS TO MALAGA, WHERE THEY WILL STAY
AT HOTEL ALOHA PLAYA IF THEY CAN PAY IN ADVANCE.
B) \$7,000 PAYABLE TO VIAJES APOLO XII, IN MALAGA, OR
OWNER, PACO CARRALERO. LOCAL AGENT HAS MAILED THIS
CHECK TO CARRALERO IN MALAGA, AND SAYS HE DOES NOT KNOW
WHAT THIS MONEY IS TO BE USED FOR.
C) \$300 PAYABLE TO HOTEL CERVANTES IN MADRID, TO PAY
OUTSTANDING DEBT.
D) \$200 PAYABLE TO HOTEL ALOHA PLAYA IN MALAGA, TO PAY
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OUTSTANDING DEBT.

2. GROUP MEMBERS HAVE PREPAID FLIGHTS FROM MALAGA TO
MADRID TO NEW YORK, LEAVING MADRID AUGUST 13, BUT HAVE
TICKETS ONLY FOR MADRID-NEW YORK LEG OF FLIGHT. THEY
HAVE NO TICKETS FOR MALAGA-MADRID LEG.

3. MOST MEMBERS HAVE EITHER ENOUGH MONEY OR CREDIT CARDS TO PAY THEIR HOTEL AND FLIGHT EXPENSES, AND THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE FINANCIAL MEANS TO COVER RE-PAYMENT OF SCHEDULED VACATION OR ENFORCED STAY IN MADRID HAVE BEEN ADVISED, THROUGH A SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP TO TRY TO ARRANGE FLIGHTS, FROM MADRID TO NEW YORK BEFORE AUGUST 13, AND/OR COME TO EMBASSY SO THAT WE CAN ASSIST THEM TO HAVE FUNDS SENT THROUGH SCS TRUST FUND IF THEY WISH.

4. LOCAL AGENT MAYORAL HAS LEFT EMPLOY OF VIAJES APOLO XII AS OF TODAY, AND REFUSES TO SPEAK FURTHER WITH SPOKESMAN OF GROUP.

5. EMBASSY MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH CONGEN SEVILLE ON THIS SITUATION. TODMAN

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